

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 25, 2010

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009—10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1839

Introduced by Assembly Member Torrico

February 12, 2010

An act to add Section 38006 to the Education Code, and to add Section 10752.3 to the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to schools.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1839, as amended, Torrico. Schools: safety.

Existing law authorizes the governing board of a school district to establish a security department under the supervision of a chief of security or a police department under the supervision of a chief of police and under the direction of the superintendent of the school district. The governing board is authorized to employ personnel to ensure the safety of school district personnel and pupils and the security of the real and personal property of the school district. In addition, a school district is authorized to assign a school police reserve officer who is deputized to a schoolsite to supplement the duties of school police personnel.

This bill would establish the ~~Cops on Campus Program~~ *Safe Schools Initiative*, under which the Superintendent of Public Instruction would award grants to school districts with high schools located in areas with the highest crime rates. A grant recipient would be required to use funds awarded to employ at least one police officer to provide services at the high school or high schools in the school district that qualified the school district for the award. The grant program would be funded ~~from an~~ *by a 0.025% augmentation of the vehicle license fee* that would be imposed on vehicles with a market value of \$50,000 or more.

This bill would result in a change in state taxes for the purpose of increasing state revenues within the meaning of Section 3 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, and thus would require for passage the approval of $\frac{2}{3}$ of the membership of each house of the Legislature.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 38006 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:
3 38006. (a) There is hereby established the ~~Cops on Campus~~
4 ~~Program~~ *Safe Schools Initiative*, under which the Superintendent
5 shall award grants to school districts with high schools located in
6 areas with the highest crime rates.
7 (b) For purposes of implementing the program, the
8 Superintendent shall rank the high schools in the state according
9 to the crime rates of the areas in which the high schools are located.
10 (c) All school districts are eligible to apply for grant funds under
11 the program.
12 (d) The Superintendent shall award grants to applicant school
13 districts that have jurisdiction over the 100 high schools located
14 in areas with the highest crime rates.
15 (e) A school district shall use grant funds to employ at least one
16 police officer to provide services at the high school or high schools
17 in the district that qualified the school district for the award.
18 (f) The grant program shall be funded from the augmentation
19 of the vehicle license fee collected pursuant to Section 10752.3 of
20 the Revenue and Taxation Code.
21 SEC. 2. Section 10752.3 is added to the Revenue and Taxation
22 Code, to read:
23 10752.3. The annual amount of the license fee for a vehicle
24 with a market value of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) or more,
25 other than a trailer or semitrailer, as described in subdivision (a)
26 of Section 5014.1 of the Vehicle Code, or a trailer coach that is
27 required to be moved under permit as authorized in Section 35790
28 of the Vehicle Code, shall be augmented by 0.025 percent.
29 The amount of money collected pursuant to this section shall be

- 1 used to fund the ~~Cops on Campus Program~~ *Safe Schools Initiative*
- 2 set forth in Section 38006 of the Education Code.

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